

Gentlemen: This comment is in strong support of RM-10353. Under the present vanity system a club may acquire the former call sign of a deceased member for the purpose of honoring that member. Upon the death of any amateur his call becomes inactivated and is not reassigned for two years. During that period, a club may have the call assigned to them, with the permission of a close relative of the deceased amateur. During this time of bereavement it is awkward and intrusive on the family to pursue such matters. By allowing the amateur himself to express his wishes and allow his club to acquire the call, the commission will be achieving the same goal but with much more efficiency and with less disruption to the family in such a trying time. Who else but the amateur himself is in a better position to give permission for a club to honor the silent key? This call sign will replace the existing club call sign so no additional calls will be used. Since it is a club call sign nobody will get a "free ride" and gain unearned privileges. Thank you. Jeffrey Goodnuff, W0KF